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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Carlos Vigil – Evading a Peace
Officer Results in 5 Years in State Prison

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Carlos Vigil, age 37, of Turlock, was convicted of Evading a Peace Officer, admitted having served a prior state prison commitment, and admitted having a prior felony conviction that falls under California's "Three Strikes Law." Deputy District Attorney Rob Taro prosecuted the case for the People.

This case stems from an incident on August 15th, 2008 in the Turlock when Vigil fled from Officer McMihelk who was pursuing him in a marked patrol car equipped with lights and siren which were activated.

The Honorable Don Shaver sentenced Vigil five years in state prison. Vigil will serve 80% of the 5 years due to having a "strike" prior.

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